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INDUSTRIAL LINE TO SERVE BOSMIAN MINES -- Rad, No 241, 8 Oct 49

Rich deposits of coal and iron ore will be connected with the Samac-Sarajevo main line by 28 kilometers of industrial railroad now under construction between Podlugovi and Vares. Part of the new line, between Podlugovi and Vares, was finished 3 months ago, and work on the remaining 22 kilometers is proceeding rapidly. Earthwork is now in progress on the section from Rreza to the Pajetov Han Station, and the most difficult section, between Pajetov Han and Vares, will be built later.

The new line will relieve the overburdened narrow-gauge line now serving the Breza mine and the iron mine at Vares.

A railroad station with several tracks and locomotive turntable equipment is being built concurrently in Breza. This will be one of the finest station buildings in Bosnia and Hercegovina.

RAIL LINE NEARS COMPLETION -- Borba, No 238, 6 Oct 49

Soldiers of the Yugoslav Army are working feveriably to complete the 74-kilometer standard-gauge Sabac-Zvornik railroad line. The embankment has been completed as far as Banja Koviljaca and the tracks are being laid. Work has been finished on the tunnels in the vicinity of Zvornik, at the 71st kilometer, [and?] at Radaljski Potok.

Work on the line was begun in September 1948. The line was planned for the use of electric trains. The large hydroelectric power plant on the Drina, now under construction, will furnish power for the line in 1950. The tunnels also were built for electric trains. Because of their extra width, their construction took much longer than usual.

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VOLUMTEERS BUILD INDUSTRIAL LINE -- Politika, No 13363, 8 Oct 49

The 7-kilometer standard-gauge railroad line now being built by volunteer labor between Visoko and Gorusa will connect the coal mine recently opened on the slopes of Ozren Planina (Mountain) with the railroad station at Visoko. By 10 September, the first 500 meters of track had been laid.

MONTENEGRIN ROAD UNDER CONSTRUCTION -- Rad, No 241, 8 Oct 49

Over 85 percent of the earthwork on the Boljanici-Suplja Stijena real has been completed, and 11 kil meters of the bottom layer of roadbed have been laid.

This road will facilitate the transportation of the fine-quality ore found in large quantities in the Plevije basin of Montenegro.

FIRST YUGOGLAV BUS SHOWN AT FAIR -- Borba, No 233, 1 Oct 49

The first bus ever made in Yugoslavia of Yugoslav materials is on display at the Zagreb Fair. It can carry 26 passengers or 2 tons of goods. It is designed primarily for use in peasant labor cooperatives.

The bus was designed by Stevan Mihajlovic. The motor and chassis were built in the Tvornica Automobila (Automobile Factory) in Tezno, and the body, made of wood, was made at the small body shop in Maribor. All the materials came from Yugoslavia.

The bus can attain speeds up to 80 kilometers per hour and is well adapted to the narrow and uneven Yugoslav roads. It can be used as a truck.

Next year the serial production of these buses for peasant labor cooperatives will be begun.

SKOPJE IN SERVICE -- Borba, No 241, 10 Oct 49

On 9 October the new oceangoing motor ship Skopje sailed from Rijeka on it test voyage. The Skopje is the second of the series of motor ships being built at the "Treci Maj" Shipyard in Rijeka. It is also the second seagoing cargo ship to have been built in Yugoslavia by Yugoslav facilities.

The Skopje, with a capacity of 4,000 tens, is 101 meters long and 14 meters wide. It has four holds for cargo and cabins for 12 passengers. The modern electric cranes with which the ship is equipped were also wade at the "Treci Maj" Shipyard.

HRVATSKA COMPLETES MAIDEN VOTAGE -- Borba, No 227, 24 Sep 49

The large oceangoing cargo and passenger ship Hrvatska, rebuilt recently in the "Vicko Krstulovic" Shipyard, has arrived in Rijeka after its first voyage. The Hrvatska will remain in Rijeka until the beginning of October taking on cargo for its first commercial voyage to South America.

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